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1. AFTER BEING SUBMITTED ON 11 OCT 73, GOM APPROVED REPEAT APPROVED GIRM REQUEST SAME DAY TO PERMIT BAMAKO-BASED U.S. AIRLIFT CONDUCT GRAIN DELIVERIES IN MAURITANIA COMMENCING 16 OCT 73 FOR 21 DAYS. CONSIDER GOM POSITIVE AND IMMEDIATE RESPONSE TO GIRM FORMAL REQUEST EXTRAORDINARY AND COMMENDABLE; PARTICULARLY, WHILE MALI SUPPLY SITUATION AT BAMAKO CONTINUES TO BE DESPERATE FOR DISTRIBUTION THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY'S SAHARA AREA. ATTRIBUTE QUICK APPROVAL ACTION TO GOM MIN DEF DOUKARA AND DEPUTY AIR COMMANDER TRAORE'.

2. REF F. FOR PERIOD OF APPROX 21 DAYS, USE OF ALL FACILITIES GOM ACCORDED MALI AUTHENTIC ASSISTANCE OPERATION HAS BEEN APPROVED FOR MAURITANIA OPERATION. TODAY, GOM DEPUTY AIR COMMANDER TRAORE AND JTF COMMANDER MET TO DISCUSS AND DRAFT AN AGREEMENT ON SUPPORT AREAS TO BE SUBMITTED TO GIRM'S CONSUL BAMAKO AS INCURRED EXPENSES TO HIS COUNTRY FOR THE PERIOD OF OPERATION. EVEN THOUGH MAURITANIA BAMAKO-BASED OPERATIONS STARTS 16 OCT, GOM WILL NOT CHARGE FOR SUPPORT ON 16 AND 17 OCT BECAUSE OF AN AGREEMENT WITH JTF COMMANDER THAT MALI SUPPORT WILL CONTINUE TO REDEPLOYMENT DATE 17 OCT. SUPPORT AREAS FOR GIRM'S INCURRED EXPENSES ARE US FOLLOWS:

A. GASOLINE AND MAINTENANCE COST FOR 1 ACFT APU, 2 TRUCKS, 6 VW MINI BUSES AND 1 CAR. NO CHARGE FOR DRIVERS.

B. HOTEL COST TO QUARTER 43 MEN AND ADDITIONAL MEN WHO COME TO SUPPORT OPERATION. THIS INCLUDES UTILITIES I.E. ELECTRICITY.

C. LABOR COST AT BAMAKO FOR UNLOADING AND LOADING GRAIN.

D. COLD DRINKS AND SNACKS FOR MAINTENANCE PERSONNEL AND AIRCREWS IN BAMAKO AIRPORT SNACK BAR DURING OPERATIONAL ACTIVITIES ON FLIGHT LINE.

3. REFS F AND G. GOM PLEDGED 300 MT OF CORN VICE 800 MT TO BE AIR-LIFTED AT RATE 100 MT WEEKLY. IF GIRM TRANSFER TOTAL 300 MT NLT 16 OCT 73 TO GOM'S DAKAR DEPOT, EFFORTS WILL BE MADE TO PLEDGE ADDITIONAL 300 MET WITH CONSIDERATIONS OF MALI NEEDS AS OVERRIDING FACTOR. DEADLINE FOR GIRM INITIAL 300 MT GRAIN TRANSFER ACCORD IS 20 OCT. AFTER THAT DATE GOM WILL NOT CONSIDER GIRM AIRLIFT FROM MALI.

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4. REF G. U.S. TO PAY FREIGHT COST BY RAIL FROM DAKAR TO BAMAKO FOR 300 MT AND ADDITIONAL IF PLEDGED BY GOM.

5. WHEN GOM ACCOMPLISHES AND SUBMITS AGREEMENT TO GIRM'S CONSUL BAMAKO FOR GIRM APPROVAL, JTF COMMANDER WILL ACCOMGNY CONSULT TO NOUAKCHOTT IF HE REQUESTS TRAVEL VIA U.S. C-130 AND ASSIST IN EXPLANATION OF TECHNICAL DETAILS IF REQUIRED.

6. ALTERNATIVE PLANS ARE PRESENTLY BEING CONSIDERED TO INSURE THE
1200 MT COMMITMENT IS ACCOMPLISHED NLT 5 NOV. CONSIDERATIONS IN-
CLUDE 300 MT AND 600 MT FROM BAMAKO WITH REMAINDER FROM NOUAKCHOTT
IF REQUIRED.
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